

## Message Text

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FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY SUVA  
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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAID, EFIS, XP

SUBJECT: SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION SKIPJACK TUNA SURVEY  
PROJECT

1. AMBASSADOR SELDEN WOULD LIKE YOU TO DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM HIM TO PRIME MINISTER:
2. BEGIN TEXT: IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO INFORM YOU THAT THE AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION HAVE REACHED TENTATIVE AGREEMENT

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ON THE TERMS OF AN A.I.D. GRANT OF 300,000 DOLLARS TO THE SPC TO FINANCE IN PART THE COMMISSION'S SKIPJACK SURVEY AND ASSESSMENT PROGRAM. THE GRANT AGREEMENT WILL BE SIGNED ON JULY 9. COMMITMENT OF THESE FUNDS, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THOSE OF OTHER DONORS, SHOULD PERMIT SURVEY WORK TO GET UNDER WAY IN THE LATTER PART OF THIS YEAR. I AM GRATIFIED THAT THE UNITED STATES IS ABLE TO PLAY A

ROLE IN LAUNCHING THIS SURVEY, WHICH WE BELIEVE WILL MAKE  
A VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO KNOWLEDGE OF SKIPJACK TUNA AND  
TO THE PROSPECTS FOR COMMERCIAL FISHING FOR SKIPJACK IN  
THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN PACIFIC. END TEXT.

3. IDENTICAL LETTERS SENT DIRECT TO KING OF TONGA AND  
PM OF WESTERN SAMOA. VANCE

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